
FEBRUARY 1, 1821.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A BILL

Authorizing the Secretary of State to issue a Patent to Thomas Oxley.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That the Secretary of State be, and he hereby is, authorized
4 and required to issue letters patent to Thomas Oxley, for his
5 invention of a machine and engine, called "the American
6 Land Clearing Machine, and Land Clearing Engine," upon
7 his complying with the directions of the act, entitled "An
8 act to promote the progress of the useful arts, and to re-
9 peal the act heretofore made for that purpose," and an act,
10 entitled "An act to extend the privilege of obtaining patents
11 for useful discoveries and inventions to certain persons there-
12 in mentioned, and to enlarge and define the penalties for vio-
13 lating the rights of patentees," except so far as the said acts,
14 or any part or parts of them, require a residence of two years
15 within the United States, in like manner, in all respects, as if
16 the said Thomas Oxley had resided two years within the
17 United States.